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**Vermont**

VERMONT IS COVERED IN LUSH FOREST AND DOTTED WITH SMALL, PICTURESQUE TOWNS

**B**reathtaking nature, world-class ski areas, farms and artisans that produce some of the world’s most beloved food items, and the infectiously positive, nature-loving vibe of Vermonters. One of the smallest and least populated states in the U.S., Vermont is also one of the most beautiful. Three quarters of the state are covered in forest and every autumn, Vermont explodes with color, thanks to the brilliant colored foliage of its sugar maples. This is a great place to be outdoors, exploring the gorgeous lakes, national and state parks and majestic mountains—whether it’s for an easy hike or fishing in the summer or a snowshoe adventure in the winter. Discover the Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historical Park, ski Killington and Smuggler’s Notch, explore the Northeast Kingdom and get your feet wet at Lake Willoughby. Vermont has heaps of art and culture too. Visit Billings Farm and Museum in Woodstock, take a walking tour around historic Montpelier, explore the numerous galleries and museums, check out the Fall Festival in Chester, or just visit any of the state’s 251 cities and towns for an authentic experience of Vermont’s unique brand of New England charm. The state also has a distinctive food culture that’s centered around locally sourced fresh fare. In other words, Vermonters are localvores and Vermont is an understated foodie’s paradise. Burlington and Montpelier have excellent dining scenes, smaller towns such as Quechee and Bristol boast fantastic options for farm-to-table cuisine, and the state is known for its amazing farmers’ markets. Make sure to try Vermont’s divine maple syrup, delicious chocolate, Vermont cheddar cheese, and of course cider and apple pie from the state’s many orchards. 🍏

**THE GREEN MOUNTAIN STATE**

- Land Area** 9,620 square miles
- Population** 608,827
- State Capital** Montpelier
- Largest City** Burlington
- Local Time** Eastern – 7 hrs behind Greece
- Climate** Vermont has a humid continental climate, with wet springs, a generally mild early summer, hot Augusts, and cold winters. It’s the seventh coldest state in the country and has an average annual snowfall between 60 and 100 inches. The annual mean temperature for the state is 6 °C (43 °F), with the state reaching extremes of -46 °C (-50 °F), at Bloomfield, on December 30, 1933, and 41 °C (105 °F), at Vernon, on July 4, 1911.
- National Parks** Appalachian National Scenic Trail, Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historical Park